

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- mem 10. ~~1~~ (Original) A process for treating a surface to remove a coating from the surface, the process being of the type which employs an erasing agent comprising a plurality of particles, the process comprising the steps of contacting the surface with the erasing agent such tat at least some of the particles roll along at least a portion of the surface, wherein an angle of incidence of the particles and the surface is between 0° and 60°, wherein the particles are generally round and have an irregular surface configuration to effect a rolling movement along the surface such that the particles rub and absorb the coating from the surface, and wherein the erasing agent is substantially non-aqueous, and wherein the particles have an average maximum diameter of between 30 and 1000 microns.
- mem 17. ~~2~~ (Original) A process as claimed in Claim ~~1~~^{16 mem} in which the particles comprise a precipitate or agglomerate of an insoluble alkali metal carbonate.
- mem 18. ~~3~~ (Currently Amended) A process as claimed in ~~any preceding~~^{16 mem} Claim ~~1~~ which is a blasting operation.
- mem 19. ~~4~~ (Currently Amended) A process as claimed in ~~any of Claims 1 to 3~~^{16 mem} which employs manual application of the treating agent.
- mem 20. ~~5~~ (Currently Amended) The use of the process of ~~any of Claims 1 to 4~~^{16 mem} in dental applications such as teeth whitening, plaque removal and general cleaning or polishing of the teeth, buccal cavity and prosthetic parts such as crowns, bridges and complete or partial dentures.
- mem 21. ~~6~~ (Currently Amended) The use of the process of ~~any of Claims 1 to 4~~^{16 mem} in treating bone.
- mem 22. ~~7~~ (Currently Amended) The use of the process of ~~any of Claims 1 to 4~~^{16 mem} to exfoliate skin.